

23 September 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: George V. Lauder
Director, Public Affairs Office

SUBJECT: Appearance at the International Conference
on Terrorism Seminar

1. Action Requested: None. This is background information for your participation in the International Conference on Terrorism Seminar produced by Columbia University Seminars on Media and Society Graduate School of Journalism and Times Mirror on Saturday, 27 September, 7:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. at the Senate Caucus Room, Senate Russell Office Building (SROB), Constitution Avenue, between Delaware Avenue and 1st Street N.E. Phone: 224-5031

2. Arrangements: You and Mrs. Casey are asked to be at Constitution Avenue and 1st Street visitors entrance where you will be met by Barbara Eddings, Associate Director of the seminars. You will be escorted to makeup and Mrs. Casey will be seated with the observers in the Senate Caucus Room. At approximately 8:30 a.m. the First Conference Session on "Incident in the Mediterranean: Rescue and Response" Part I will begin, followed by the Second Conference Session Part II of "Incident in the Mediterranean" 10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. You will break for lunch in the Dirksen South Dining Room 12:15 - 1:15 p.m. (See brochure opposite for complete agenda.)

The format of the day's program is four hypothetical case studies that represent the starting points for each of the seminars. According to the program, you are participating in the first two. (See opposite for further information on the hypothetical cases.) Arthur R. Miller, the Bruce Bromley Professor of Law at the Harvard Law School, will be the moderator for the morning sessions. Reportedly, Mr. Miller sees himself in the role of a public prosecutor. (See opposite for biography.) The moderator sets the scene, questions the panelists, and adds facts as the discussion proceeds. You will be appearing in Part I with fourteen other panelists, i.e. Senator William Cohen, The Right Honorable Edward Heath, The Honorable Patricia Schroeder, James Schlesinger, and Jack Nelson of

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the LOS ANGELES TIMES. Part II will include Sir Kenneth Newman of New Scotland Yard, Senator Arlen Specter, The Honorable Abraham Sofear of the State Department, and FBI Director William Webster. (For complete lists of panel members see opposite.) You and the other panelists are seated at a horseshoe-shaped table and have neck mikes. The dress for the occasion is a business suit. To assist in the videotaping of the programs you are requested not to bring beepers or watches with audio signals into the seminar room.

Audience: Approximately 170 VIP's will be in the audience including spouses, official observers, members of the Times Mirror Board, National Defense University and Columbia University faculty members, and Congressional aides. Charles Allen plans to be in the audience. (See brochure opposite for list of participants and observers.) According to Ms. Eddings the audience will not be panned by the TV cameras.

Press: These seminars are being videotaped in association with WETA/26, Washington, D.C. for broadcast on PBS in January 1987. All portions of the conference will be videotaped in the Senate Caucus Room of the SROB. Fred Friendly, Director of Columbia University Seminars on Media and Society, edits the day's taping down to one hour. No prior viewing is allowed before air date, and only the producers can audio or videotape the program. According to Ms. Eddings only members of the press acting as panelists will attend. An audio/video tape will be available for our historical records after the program is aired on television.

Background: This is the 199th seminar conducted by Columbia University Seminars on Media and Society since 1974. (See opposite letterhead for the Board of Governors which includes Howard Simons.) According to Fred Friendly, the goal of the moderators is "to get the professionals of varying disciplines--law enforcement officials, policymakers, legislators, journalists--to talk to each other instead of past each other. The producers try to make the agony of decisionmaking so intense, you can escape only by thinking."

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